



# MINUTES



**CRANE MOUNTAIN ENHANCEMENT INC. (CMEI)**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
3 January 2023  
KBM

The January meeting of the Board of Directors of Crane Mountain Enhancement Inc. (CMEI) was called to order at 5:58 pm by Chair, Tom Simpson.

**In attendance:** Patti Chisholm, John Doubt, Neil Jacobsen, Lori Nason, Gina Simpson, Tom Simpson

**Regrets:** Jon Bidgood, Laura Bonga, Jane Tunney

## **PRESENTATION OF THE AGENDA**

**Motion 1:** That the January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 agenda be accepted as presented.

**Moved by:** Neil Jacobsen

**Seconded by:** John Doubt

**Motion 1:** Carried

## **MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING**

**Motion 2:** That the minutes from the December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 meeting be accepted as presented.

**Discussion:** Correct Neil's last name to read "Jacobsen" instead of "Jacobson".

**Moved by:** Patti Chisholm

**Seconded by:** Lori Nason

**Motion 2:** Carried

## **FUNDY REGIONAL SOLID WASTE REPORT (FRSW)**

**Discussion:** Tom has been trying to reach Marc but has been unable to connect. There was a meeting at the River Valley Community Centre to discuss the installation of a plaque recognizing the \$2,000,000 in donations from the CMEI projects fund.

## **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

1. **Website Update:** The website was down for a period of time but is back up and running.
2. **Annual Monitoring Reports 2020 & 2021:** Tom now has the Annual Monitoring Reports for 2020 and 2021. He shared the links to the report files with the CMEI Board in December.
3. **Project Application Information to Grand Bay-Westfield and West Side Councillors:** Tom sent an email to the three City of Saint John west side councillors sharing the information for the CMEI Project Applications. He also spoke with a staff member for the Town of Grand Bay-Westfield and they will insert the Project Application information in the next Town Council meeting package.
4. **Update on aerial photos:** Photos were initially scheduled for November. The company is having trouble securing a pilot and finding a part for their plane. Once the issues have been resolved, photos will be done as soon as possible. It should be noted that if there is snow covering the ground, the photos will then need to wait until Spring.

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

1. **FRSC Cheque:** We received a cheque in the mail from FRSC for the current year's allotment in the amount of \$26,380.00.

### **2. Receipts**

**Motion 3:** To pay an invoice from exp. (\$5382.62) and Tom Simpson's receipt for meeting supper (Meal: \$56.44 & Water: \$6.39).

**Moved by:** John Doubt

**Seconded by:** Lori Nason

**Motion 3:** Carried

## CHAIR'S REPORT

**Discussion:** See business arising.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

**Motion 4:** That the Treasurer's Report for the period ending December 2022 be accepted as presented.

**Discussion:** Report submitted by Treasurer Patti Chisholm covering the period ending December 2022.

Opening balance: \$55,512.37; Total Income: NIL; Total expenses: \$155.00; Closing balance: \$55,357.37. (copy on file).

**Moved by:** John Doubt

**Seconded by:** Lori Nason

**Motion 4:** Carried

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### Monitoring Committee

**Virtual Meeting with exp.:** CMEI Monitoring Committee met in December with exp. The meeting provided an opportunity to review the installation and operability/performance of the new CMEI well loggers at the Crane Mountain Landfill. The data loggers are performing as anticipated and are providing a rich array of data sets. While it is premature to draw any definitive observations or conclusions from the data gathered through the new data loggers, the following three key action items were identified:

#### Action Items:

1. Share the exp. report and data gathered-to-date with the Fundy Regional Service Commission (FRSC) and their environmental consultant, GEMTEC.
2. Explore opportunities for collaboration in terms of data collection and analysis between CMEI (exp.) and the FRSC (GEMTEC), with a particular focus on:
  - a. Well sampling protocols and the need to return data loggers to the exact same depth from a data integrity perspective.
  - b. A cooperative plan to look more closely at potential data variability or anomalies in proximity to the Construction and Demolition (C&D) disposal site.
  - c. Initiate a renewed multi-year trend analysis leveraging the original baseline data, including trigger parameters (i.e., support the integrity of the overall landfill groundwater monitoring model).
3. The development of a complementary surface water monitoring program with a focus on aquatic ecology. Given the evolving impacts of climate change and the unique topography/geography of the landfill, this would serve as a key supplement to on-going groundwater monitoring activities. Given the proximity of residential wells, surface water monitoring would provide a supplemental early warning system in terms of potential landfill environmental impacts.

## Special Projects Committee

**Discussion:** Tom has not received any applications to date but is expecting to receive the majority of them during the first two weeks of February. The deadline for applications is February 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Action Item:** Patti Chisholm will ask the KBM and Martinon Community Centre to post the Project Application information on their Facebook pages.

## NEW BUSINESS

1. **Report from exp. regarding the first data collection:** See Monitoring Committee above.
2. **City of Saint John Recycling Program:** Recycling has become challenging for many residents now that the blue bins have been removed. Is there an option the city can provide, besides going to the landfill, for residents who do not have curbside access?

**Action Item:** John Doubt will draft a letter to send to the City of Saint John to encourage them to provide an option for residents who do not have curbside recycling. The letter will also include a thank you for providing CMEI with the opportunity to present at the October Common Council meeting.

## ADJOURNMENT

**Motion 5:** That the meeting be adjourned at 6:56 pm.

**Moved by:** Patti Chisholm

**Motion 5:** Carried

## NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the CMEI is scheduled for Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – Meal at 5:30 meeting at 6:00 p.m. at the KBM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Simpson - Recording Secretary